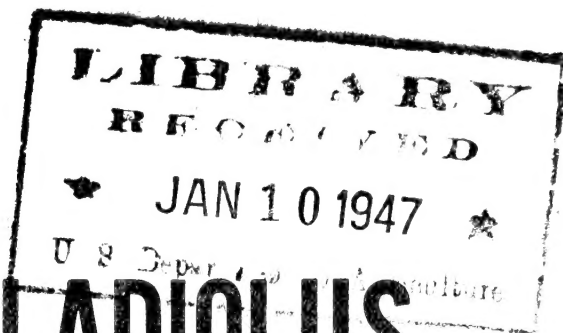


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# ROGER'S 1947 GLADIOLUS

From *THE FRIENDLY GLAD GARDENS*

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*You are wanted as a friend forever more. For that reason, this little catalog-ette is going to be simply and humbly written.*

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## WHITE CHALLENGE

The 1947 release which we HOPE will do as well for everyone else as it has done for us ever since it was first seen. In fact it is getting better year by year. It comes from Euides X Picardy. White Challenge is a heavy textured white, with very light rose pink bluish, and a pleasing rose throat. Florets are 5 1-2 inches in diameter. The spike is straight with 22 buds, 8 open and 8 showing color, 30 inch flower head and good placement. Foliage is healthy, vigorous and low growing which allows one to cut low and still keep all the leaves on the plant. Small bulbs produce 18 bud spikes.

White Challenge is a consistent performer, producing well in dry or wet seasons, in sand or clay. It has only been exhibited on three occasions and winning in 1946 as follows: American Home Achievement Award at Detroit S. E. M. G. S. show: Best Seedling at Michigan Glad Society Seedling Show at East Lansing: and first in the new GREEN BUD class at Michigan State Show at Ann Arbor. It scored 82 points in the Michigan Gladiolus Trial Gardens in 1946.

The florists who have seen this variety want all they can get and accept it as white. It blooms to the tip even when cut entirely in the bud. Bulblet production and germination are good. It rarely blooms from bulblets which seldom make bigger than No. 4 bulbs.

Harold Janes, Dr. Graff, Walter Krueger and Elmer Gove are helping introduce White Challenge this year. You may buy from them or myself. Price will remain the same for at least another year.

*Any size bulb \$5.00. 5 bulblets will be sold with purchase of bulb for additional \$3.00.*

## OTHER VARIETIES

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Our list isn't long because most of our acreage is devoted to seedlings. It is hoped, however, that you will find something among the following that you will want. Those marked with an (\*) may be had in wholesale quantities. Write for prices.

\***AR**—commercial American Beauty Rose Color. Early bloomer. Our own origination and introduced in 1946 by my father, James Arnett. Florists like it because of its color.

L-\$1.00; M-\$ .75; S-\$ .50; blts. 12 for \$1.00.

**AVALON**—ruffled rosy pink.

S-3 for \$0.25.

**BEAUTY CLINIC**—ruffled salmon pink.

L-\$ .35; M-\$ .25; S-2 for \$ .30; blts. 10 for \$ .25.

**BRIDES DELIGHT**—ruffled cameo pink.

S-2 for \$ .30.

**CRINKLE CREAM**—fine light yellow.

L-\$ .50.

**FABULOUS**—a good blotched pink.

L-\$4.00; M-\$3.00; blts. \$ .40.

**FRANCIS M. IRWIN**—light rose.

L-\$ .25; M-2 for \$ .25; S-3 for \$ .25; blts. 15 for \$ .25.

\***GENGHIS KHAN**—Russell Everhart says this is the most overlooked glad in America, and I heartily agree. It is just the pink the florists are looking for. Many think it is Dr. Scheer's best origination.

L-\$1.50; M-\$1.00; S-\$ .75; blts. 2 for \$ .25.

**GRACIE ALLEN**—deep scarlet self.

L-\$1.00; M-\$ .75; S-\$ .50; blts. 3 for \$ .25.

**HIGH FINANCE**—large smoky.

S-3 for \$ .25.

**KING CLICK**—good red.

L-\$ .25; M-2 for \$ .25; S-3 for \$ .25.

**LEADING LADY**—often called the best glad. It IS fine. Creamy white.

L-\$ .40; M-\$ .25; S-2 for \$ .25; blts. 10 for \$ .40.

**LARIME**—good growing deep orange.

L-\$1.00; M-\$0.75; S-\$0.50; blts. 5 for \$0.25.

**MOTHER KADEL**—Commercial yellow.

S-4 for \$0.25.

\***ORVAG**—an orange sport of Vagabond Prince we selected and introduced in 1945. You can get just about the same thing by buying Snyder's "Orange Prince." It makes a fine parent for orange seedlings.

L-\$1.00; M-\$0.75; S-\$0.50; blts. 5 for \$0.25.

**PASTEL**—a smooth smoky lavender. Another one that is overlooked

L-\$1.00; M-\$0.75; S-\$0.50; blts. 3 for \$0.25.

\***PURPLE SUPREME**—royal purple in color. It does shed its colors at times though. Even then it is hard to beat.

L-\$.25; M-2 for \$.25; S-3 for \$.25; blts. 15 for \$.25.

\***SILVER WINGS**—one we like to talk about. Whiter and more ruffled than Leading Lady.

L-\$3.00; M-\$2.00; S-\$1.00; blts. \$.30.

**TAHITI**—commercial rose lavender.


S-3 for \$0.25.

\***WHITE GOLD**—huge cream. Dr. Scheer deserves much credit for this one.

L-\$.20; M-2 for \$.25; S-3 for \$.25; blts. 15 for \$.25.

The following are older varieties, but are all good. In many cases as good as those above.

| Name                        | Description | 3 large<br>bulbs | 4 med.<br>bulbs | 5 sm.<br>bulbs | blts.<br>pkg. |
|-----------------------------|-------------|------------------|-----------------|----------------|---------------|
| BIT O' HEAVEN, Orange       | .....       | .25              | .25             | .25            | .25           |
| CORONA, cream and pink      | .....       |                  |                 | .25            | .25           |
| EARLY ROSE, rose            | .....       |                  | .25             | .25            | .25           |
| *GARDENIA, fine cream       | .....       | .25              | .25             | .25            | .25           |
| GRETA GARBO, light pink     | .....       | .25              | .25             | .25            | .25           |
| *HARMAU, rosy red orange    | .....       | .25              | .25             | .25            | .25           |
| H. B. PITT, salmon          | .....       | .25              | .25             | .25            | .25           |
| *HURRICANE, salmon orange   | .....       | .25              | .25             | .25            | .25           |
| *JEANIE, salmon pink        | .....       | .25              | .25             | .25            | .25           |
| JULES AMOTT, early red      | .....       | .25              | .25             | .25            | .25           |
| MAGNOLIA, light creamy rose | .....       |                  |                 | .25            |               |
| MARGARET BEATON, white      | .....       | .25              | .25             | .25            | .25           |
| RUFFLED BEAUTY, yellow      | .....       | .25              | .25             |                | .25           |
| SILENTIUM, white            | .....       |                  |                 | .25            |               |
| ASSORTMENT, all colors      | .....       | .20              | .20             | .20            | .20           |



We hope to be able to put "NANCY", a new commercial red, on the market in 1948. As a seedling (Picardy x Rewi Fallu) it scored 84 points in the Michigan Trial Gardens in 1946. NANCY along with WHITE CHALLENGE will be given a much wider trial in 1947.

Might just keep NANCY and WHITE CHALLENGE in mind; you might.

Thanks, folks, for reading through to the end. May your glad garden be bigger and better this year.

Your friendly WCG

Roger.

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